BOMBAY COURIER

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THE Sarah, Captain Bowen, from England the 25th August anchored in the harbour yesterday evening.

NO PASSENGERS.

The Sarah brings very few letters or papers, as the James Sibbald had started a few days before her and, of course has the regular packets on board. The latter Ship, however, having sprung her bowsprit, was obliged to put into Portsmouth, and lay there when the Sarah sailed.

On a hasty glance at the few papers received, (from the 15th to the 18th August) we have gleaned the following intelligence.

AUGUST 17.

On Wednesday a Court of Directors was held at the East India House, when the following ships were taken up, and thus stationed, viz:—Lady Melville, Capt. Clifford and William Fairlie, Capt. Smith, for Madras and China.—Macqueen, Capt. Walker; Duchess of Athol, Capt. Daniell and Berwickshire, Capt. Shepherd, for Bengal and China.—Sir David Scott, Capt. Hunter; Canning, Capt. Paterson and Earl Balcarras, Capt. Cameron, for Bengal and China.—Thomas Coutts, Capt. Chrystie; Duke of York, Capt. Campbell; and Castle Huntly, Capt. Drummond, for Bombay and China.—Dunira, Capt. Hamilton and Marquis Camden, Capt. Larkins, for Bombay and China.—General Harris, Capt. Welstead, for St. Helena, Bencoolen, and China.—London, Capt. Sotheby, for St. Helena, Bombay, and China.—Orwell,—— and Thames, Capt. Haviside, for China direct.

It is understood, that at the next General Court an attempt will be made to carry an increased grant to the Marquis of Hastings, in addition to that which was voted some years ago. It is believed that Ministers are not hostile to such a proposition, if it is carried in the Court of Directors, as a mark of their approbation of the military administration of the noble Marquis.

Sir Edward Barnes, Governor of Ceylon was married in August, to Maria eldest daughter of Walter Fawkes Esq., of Farley hall, Yorkshire.

BIRTH.—On the 28th July in Gloucester Place, the lady of the Rev. Dr. Barnes, Archdeacon of Bombay, of a daughter.

AUGUST 2.

MARRIAGE IN HIGH LIFE. On Tuesday, at St. George's, Hanover-square, by the Hon. and Rev. George Pellew, Lord Sidmouth, to the Hon Mrs Townsend. After the ceremony the happy pair left town for Arley-Court, near Newbury, Berks, where they intend to pass the honeymoon.

It was reported yesterday, on the authority of an evening Paper, that the Bishop of Norwich died at Leamington a few days since. [illegible] paper now contradicts the rumour, [illegible] have originated in the [illegible] Cornwallis, [illegible] are an- [illegible] 17th

eye, and the vision of the right eye is so defective, as to oblige him to use a large glass to discern objects, and occasionally a stick.

The following Ships are advertised in the English papers for this Port. The Cumbrian, Capt. Clarkson, to sail immediately. The Waterloo, Capt. Studd, to sail the 1st week in September. The Barkworth, Capt. Cotgrave, to sail in all September. The Bombay Merchant, Capt. Kemp to sail in the latter end of October.

The Brig Resource, *of 250 tons*, Capt. Pritchard is advertised for Tellicherry and Bombay, to sail in the end of August.

WAR OFFICE, AUG. 15.

Royal Reg. of Horse Guards: Corp. R. Cust to be Quartermaster, vice Perry, ret.—3d Reg. of Drag. Guards: P. Dundas to be Cornet, vice Todd, prom. 4th Ditto: Serj.-Maj. E. Lawless to be Reg.-Quartermaster, vice Jolly, dec.—15th Reg. of Lihgt Drag.: Lieut. E. Studd to be Capt. vice Carpenter, ret; Lieut. G. Hume to be Lieut. vice Studd; G. Musgrave, Gent. to be Cornet vice Hume.—21 Reg. of Foot: Lieut.-Colonel J. Rolt to be Lieut.-Col., vice Jordan, who exchanges; Captain Jn. Williams to be Major vice Gordon, who retires; Lieut. W. Hunt to be Capt vice Williams; Ens. J. B. Dalway to be Lieut. vice Hunt; H. F. Kennedy, Gent to be Ens. vice Dalway.—6th Ditto: Lieut. W R. Eden to be Capt. vice Clarke; Ens. T. Holyoake to be Lieut. vice Eden: R. Curteis, Gent. to be Ensign, vice, Holyoake.—8th Ditto: Capt. H. Hailes to be Capt. vice Booth, who excha's.—10th Do. Capt. J. Rudsdell to be Major vice Payler.—12th Ditto: Lieut. G. Law on to be Capt. vice Jenkins, dec.; Ensign C. Williams. to be Lieut. vice Lawson; H. W. Adams, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Williams—17th Ditto: Sec. Lieut. H. Clinton to be Lieutenant vice Yorke.—24th Ditto: Lieut. A. Child to be Adj. vice Smith—40th Reg. of Foot: Capt. J. Montagu to be Capt. vice Maclean, who exch.—41st Ditto: Capt. W. Booth to be Captain vice Hailes—52d Ditto: Lieut. R. F. Hill to be Lieut. vice Campbell, who ex.—54th Ditto: Capt. J. W. H. Walch to be Capt. vice Butler, who ex.—57th Ditto: Lieut. P. Gray to be Lieut. vice J. S. Keating, who exch.; Gent. Cadet H. Hill to Ensign, vice Beckwith.—72d Ditto: Ens. W. Stewart to be Ensign vice T. W. Nicols, who exch.—80th Ditto: Capt. J. A. Butler to be Capt. vice Walch, who exch.—81st Ditto: Capt. C. F. Maclean to be Capt. vice Montagu, who exch.—91st Ditto; Brev. Major A. Creighton to be Capt. vice R. Stewart, who exch.—93d Ditto: Capt. F. A. M. Fraser to be Capt. vice Gunn, exch.—Rifle Brigade Ens. T. S. Beckwith to be Sec. Lieut. vice Woodford, prom.—1st West India Reg.; Ens. F. Boyd to be Ens. vice Magee, exch.—2d Ditto: Capt. N. Wilson to be Capt. vice Nosworthy, exc.—3d Royal Vet Bat.; Capt. T. Carey to be Capt. vice Courtenay.—Royal African Colonial Corps: Ens. H. Mahon to be Quarter-master; H. Mahon, late Serj.-Maj. 67th Foot, to have the rank of Ens.. Staff. Surg. J. A. Schetky to be Dep. Inspector of Hospitals on the Coast of Africa only, vice Dr. Nicoll, dec.; Maj. Payler to be Lieut. Col. of Infantry, vice Griffith, ret.; To be Lieut. Colonels in the Army: Majors R. Macneil, R. M. Oakes, and Henry Earl of Uxbridge.

The most remarkable feature in the commercial transactions of the last several weeks is the extraordinary speculation in Cotton, the consequence of which was a rise in prices, both at London and Liverpool, and at Glasgow.—The particulars are in brief as follows:—for the last four weeks sale in London; first week, 1,700 bales; second, 12,000; third, 30,000: fourth, 7,100. At Liverpool, first week, 55,000; 21,700; third, [illegible]50; fourth, 9,900:—The sales at Glas- [illegible]ring the same period have been near- [illegible]bales, making, in the whole, the [illegible]ntity of 135,000 bales; the arrivals at Liverpo[illegible] have been 75,00[illegible] the reason o[illegible] arly appear, naturally [illegible] prices; and the demand, [illegible] been expected, having subsided, a dec[illegible] has taken place.

AUGUST 17.

A letter from Pernambuco of the 22d June states, that Lord Cochrane, in consequence of a mutiny among the sailors of the Brazilian squadron, had been compelled to dismantle and lay up some of his ships, and that he remained at sea with only one man of war and a frigate—a force too weak for the attack he had meditated on the Portuguese fleet.

BRITISH PRESS.—AUGUST, 18.

It is idle to talk of terms being made with the Cortes; there is no resource, as Brennus said to the early Romans, but submission for the conquered. Constitutional Spain has now no regular armies in the field; they have withered beneath the blight of treachery. Beyond the frontiers of Catalonia she could array no force in battle against the French: her standard has been lowered by traitors; and successive treason has given a death-blow to her strength.

The Generals entrusted by the Cortes, who should have dealt with the enemy with mailed hands, have opened them wide to receive the treacherous bribe: the territory of the Cortes is now reduced to a corner of Andalusia, and a portion of one frontier province. Her flag, it is true, still floats from more than twenty fortresses, and her guerillas threaten the very capital in arms; and were her remaining adherents firm and assured, there would still be no cause for despair. But Manso has followed Ballasteros; even the renowned Milans and Llobera come within the circle of our fears. The redoubtable Mina is now the only Chief of note who yet upholds her quarrel unimpeached, and the health of the hero is said to have suffered heavily from a succession of fatigues. If faithful sentinels watched around the Constitution, all might yet be well. But at Cadiz, while the French are thundering for admission outside its gates, their intrigues are fighting for them within. Faction and discontent, it is now said, divide this last refuge of once free Spain, dismay its national representation, and threaten to unbar its portals to the enemy.

PARIS PAPERS.

PARIS AUGUST 14.

TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCH.

(Arrived at Paris from Bayonne, August 13, 6 o'clock, P. M.)

THE COMMANDANT-GENERAL OF BAYONNE TO MINISTER OF WAR.

A letter from Madrid, dated the 10th inst. announces that they had received there the intelligence that the King is free, that the Cortes have embarked, and that hostilities have ceased before Cadiz. The courier who arrived from Madrid positively assures me that, according to the same intelligence, rejoicings were taking place in that capital. The Director of Posts at Madrid announces the same event; however, I have not yet received any official intelligence.

N. B. If the news contained in this despatch should be true, it cannot fail to be very soon confirmed by a telegraphic despatch, which will bear an official character.

A letter from Corunna of the 31st ult. states that Quiroga and the Governor had embarked for England.

A report from Guilleminot, officially, announces the submission of Ballasteros, whose troops are said to amount to 7,000. The report adds, that Ballasteros has taken steps to induce Zayas to follow his example.

The Samdany, Capt. Waddington, from Bussorah arrived this morning.

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